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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Analysis Division

Acting Chief, Applied Physics Division Chief, Biological Sciences Division

Chief, Medical & Behavioral Sciences Division

Chief, Optics Division

Chief, Physics-Chemistry Division Chief, Procurement Management Staff

Chief, Radio-Physics Division Chief, Special Projects Group

SUBJECT

: ORD Microfiche Program

REFERENCE

: General Notice No. 47

1. ORD has recently completed the pilot run of a microfilming program to determine the feasibility of maintaining microfiche records in lieu of retiring hard copy files to the Records Center at The proposed program was coordinated with DD/S&T, the Agency Records Management personnel and Printing Services Division prior to the implementation of the pilot run. As a result of the run, ORD is establishing the program as a standard operating procedure. The procedure is described in the attached General Notice No. 47.

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- 2. Implementation of the Microfiche Program will accomplish the following:
 - a. Reduce the space required for records storage from a matter of cubic feet to a few cubic inches.
 - b. The division secretaries will no longer be required to keep files until they have a full box for retirement and will not be required to prepare the documentation required for retirement.
 - c. The microfiche cards will be maintained in the Registry and will, therefore, be readily accessible to authorized personnel.

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3. Microfiche readers and reader/printers will be purchased as usage requires.

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4. General Notice No. 47 applies only to microfilming of contract files at present. Should there be a necessity for filming other files or reports.

Administrative Officer/ORD, or Records Management Officer/ORD, should be consulted about the establishment of a procedure for handling such a requirement.

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5. The DD/S&T has expressed a great deal of interest in the intent of ORD to establish this microfilming program and the results of the pilot run. The implementation of such a program is being considered for the entire directorate. Since ORD will be the first component of DD/S&T to start such a program, we will serve as the model for future requirements.

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Attachment
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